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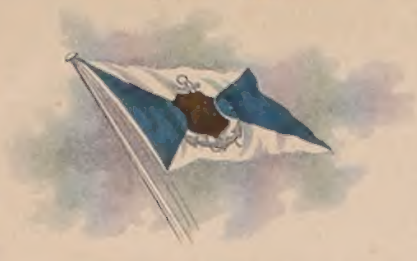

An Bord des Dampfers
Pennsylvania
den 19ten. Sept. 1909

Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

Bieber Vater,

The whole atmosphere of this place is so thoroughly German that I feel as if I ought to continue in the language of der liebe Vaterland; but for the sake of my own progress as well perhaps as for your pleasure, I'll stick to good old English. But I have had plenty of opportunity to try my German on this boat. All the officers and stewards and attendants and nearly all the passengers are German; and German is spoken

almost altogether. I can't always get just the word or expression that I want, but it is some satisfaction + pleasure to know that what I do say is correct. One of our neighbors on deck is a little German Jewess whom we find very interesting + entertaining. She keeps telling me - "Sie sprechen mit gar keinem Accent", meaning that I have no english accent at all in my German. This morning I wrote a page for her in German and she was quite amazed to find not a single mistake in it.

While the band played and amid the waving of handkerchiefs by the crowd on the pier we steamed out of New York harbor leaving the Hamburg American line pier at the foot of first street, Hoboken, N. J. Ernest's uncle Porter Weld and his two children, Jean + Dan of Marianna, Ark., also Harry, Ernest's brother were there to see us off. Then a big surprise awaited me just as we were boarding the boat. Who should I see, but Helen Abramson

one of my Sunday School class girls in Abroad. She was visiting her grandmother in Englewood, N. J. and having found out when I was leaving, came over to see me off.
Promptly at 4:00 P.M. we set sail on a smooth, beautiful sea, and with glorious weather, both of which have continued these four days. Until supper was called that first evening, of course we stayed on deck looking steadily at the receding outlines of the home land shores, and even when we came back after three quarters of an hour, there land could still dimly be seen and the glimmer of light in the statue of Liberty was visible much longer.
We have a fine large state-room commodious enough for four people, as large, possibly larger than our room in the Continental Hotel N.Y. Almost the first thing which I saw upon entering the cabin was a pile of mail, - seven or eight individual & scattered letters, & a package containing nineteen letters from Saturday

folks, one to be read each day. It's a good deal of pleasure to start each day with some message from the friends at home.

We spend the days reading, writing promenading the deck and visiting with our fellow passengers. A young man and his wife, Mr. & Mrs. Ender of Wheeling W. Va. we have found very companionable. He is going to Berlin for a year to study music. We have another young musician on board, Mr. Dewey, going to Leipzig. Another interesting character is Mr. Geo. Holland, a clown, from the New York Hippodrome. He hasn't shown himself particularly funny yet but we are hoping he will give us a performance before the journey is over.

The German band on board gives concerts several times a day, which we enjoy very much, altho more American tunes would be appreciated. We applauded long & loudly last night when they played a medley of plantation songs, beginning briskly with "Way down Southern Dixie" and then again this morning when "America" appeared on the program.

I have proven myself a pretty good sailor thus far, altho our boat is an unusually steady one and

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the sea has been smooth. The second day out, I had an attack of dizziness and missed two meals, but I haven't fed the fishes yet. I don't notice the motion of the boat much now; and unless we strike some rough water the rest of the trip ought to be delightful. This is a slow boat and we will probably not reach Hamburg before a week from today. We have come only about 900 miles thus far.

German food & cooking doesn't appeal to me particularly. So many things are greasy & seasoned so differently from our own foods. Experience has taught me, not to take everything, but make a selection of those things which look appetizing according to my own American standard & taste.

We have meals as follows: Breakfast at 8:00, Second breakfast consisting of bouillon & crakers, served on deck at 10:00, Dinner

at 12:00, Coffee + kuchen at 3:00 Supper at 6:00.
We have a great time keeping track of the time of day. Prices daily our watches, have to be set ahead; We sometimes forget it, particularly in the morning when we come near losing our breakfast.
Well, I think I have written you all the steamer news up to date. I will go back now and gather up the threads since leaving Mifflintown. We spent one afternoon + a few hours the next morning in Philadelphia, but the weather was bad, so we didn't see much except, John Wanamaker's Store, the Court House, + the U. of Penna. Last Saturday A. M. we went on to Princeton and spent about three hours there. It is one of the loveliest places I have ever seen. The college campus is beautiful. About five o'clock that evening we reached New Brunswick and spent Sunday with Ernesto cousins Mr. + Mrs. Chas. Scudder - very delightful people. Mrs. Scudder's brother took us for an hour's ride in his automobile up along the Raritan River. It is very pretty country.

Monday morning we went on into New York, met the people at the Cheeby. Board rooms + spent most of the day shopping. We took supper and spent the evening with Cousin Nell + her husband. She expected Jim Kinkead to be there too but he failed to appear. We had a very pleasant time and enjoyed Cousin Nell + Mr. Tracy very much.

Tuesday morning Ernest's Uncle Cort and children, + Mary Weld, arrived in town. Practically all the rest of our time was spent with them. In the afternoon Uncle Cort took us all on a boat trip around Manhattan Island. All the sights of the city were pointed out + explained. It was grand. That night he took us to the theatre.

Wednesday morning we were busy getting our trunks + baggage ready + sent to the wharf. We bought two nice steamer rugs which are bring of great service for it's beginning to get cold. I also got a sweater + a soft grey felt hat for wear on deck.

Possibly you had better use this letter as my contribution to the next Round Robin for I shall hardly be able to write to all the others individually in as much detail as I have done here.

Ernest & I both felt that it was good to be on board and on our way at last, for while visiting and sightseeing are pleasant, they are pretty tiring after all too.

Sept. 19th. The weather turns very cold. We put on all our heavy wraps - heavy underwear, flannel waists & petticoat, muffler, sweater, overcoat, & steamer rugs. It warms up again in a day or so.

Sept. 20th. We strike heavy seas. At breakfast the coffee pot tumbles off sideboard & spills contents on floor. We have to keep our port hole closed to prevent waves from dashing in upon us. I at last succumb to sea-sickness tho not a serious attack, and am feeling pretty "fit" again next day. We both have had a little cold but are getting it broken up.

Friday Sept. 24 7:30 P.M. We catch the first glimpse of the light house of Scilly Island, off the coast of England.

Sat. Sept. 25 - Hazy outlines of the English coast are visible. We see lots of boats today: We will arrive in Cuxhaven probably tomorrow night, & be taken by train to Hamburg Mon. morning, thence we go to Berlin. Lots of love to you all.

Margaret

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PENSION FELSBERG
LUCERNE

Oct. 6, 1909.

Dear Daddy,

It seems almost as if we had lived years in the last week – we have seen so much that was new and interesting. It hardly seems possible that we have been off the boat only ten days. Every day I have thought of you and wanted to sit down and write you in detail of our "doings"; but the days have passed, filled to overflowing with other things, and I have had to content myself by sending only short messages on cards. But they have served, I hope, to let you know we have been all right, and having a fine time.

Early on Monday morning, Sept. 27th. while the band struck up some lively music, we disembarked on the pier at Cuxhaven, a little port near the mouth of the Elbe. After going thru the Customs, a very short process, (our large trunk wasn't even opened), we took the special train awaiting the boat passengers to go to Berlin but it seems Germany hasn't the handling of baggage down to as fine a system as America. So we were considerable time looking after that. Our steamer trunk we sent by fast freight to Bucharest. The other large trunk we skipped on to London to be put on board the "Mongolia" which we are to take at Marseilles. It rained very very heavily the few hours we were in Hamburg so we saw nothing of the city. We reached Berlin that night about 7:30. and found lodging in a very comfortable hotel. That night I had my first experience of a German feather bed - sleeping under the feathers of course. It was an unusually nice one, I think; for neither before nor since have I slept in such a comfortable place.

I cannot begin to describe Berlin for you now all the things we saw there. It is a magnificent city. "Unter den Linden", the most popular & well-known street we walked up & down many times. At the one end of it is the Brandenburg Tor, at the other, a splendid equestrian statue of Frederick the Great. Berlin is filled with statues and monuments dedicated to Germany's great men. The Siegesallee is one beautiful avenue lined with statues of Germany's rulers from

the oldest times down to
the present. They stand fifty
or sixty feet apart one on
each side the street.
There are two good museums
and the National Gallery in
Berlin I went there then and
saw some of the original
paintings of Rembrandt
Rubens, Van Dyck, Murillo and
Michael Angelo.
At Charlottenburg we saw the
Mausoleum in which are the
marble sarcophagi containing
the ashes of Queen Louise and
her husband, and Emperor
William I. no queen, Augusta.
The Cathedral is a very small but
building and also the Parliament
House. The royal Palace is
plain + unbecoming looking
from the exterior but very
large. It could not be
so look around around the
was closed at 1 o'clock
- int, at three till three.

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PENSION FELSBERG
LUCERNE

Oct. 7, 1909
En Route to Interlaken

Luzern is a city of splendid public buildings & beautiful streets and stores. Banks are here always in evidence in every city. We have come side trips from Lucerne was rather monotonous. It was curious to see land so cut up & the work on the fields is done by women. Even we saw quite a few all throughout Germany. The country people instead of cows, use mules & we noticed in Munich & there with carrying fodder, yoking cows. Still it seems on the country is strictly a pet.

Cologne was an old Roman settlement & traces of it are still seen in the narrow crooked streets of the old town. The bridge of boats across the Rhine was very interesting to me as I had never seen one before. The Cathedral, considered to be the

of Gothic architecture, is of course the chief interest to tourists and is wonderful. It was begun in the thirteenth century. It contains some excellent wood-carving, some fine glass, and numerous statues. Frescoes on the pillars of the interior are very, very lovely, the whole of the interior impressive, so we listened to an English lady-teacher, who took advantage of the same obligingly to see some aviators. Pulham was the first to ascend in his aeroplane. He made several rather unsteady incomplete circuits round a mile course, & finally made a good landing, supporting one of his wings. Velaporte was the next to make an attempt but, after several trials when he couldn't get off the ground he went back into his tent.

Finally after long delays, when the sun was nearly gone, the man whom we had been waiting hours to see - Bleriot, ascended. He rose as cautiously as a bird & circled round the course time after time, with perfectly steady confident motion. I watched him for an hour & then had to hurry away to catch my train. I awakened to see a newspaper next day which stated that Bleriot had remained in the air one hour and four minutes at times attaining a height of 10 ft. It was a wonderful sight. My American crowd would have gone wild over it and shouted & yelled their applause.

Germans are not so monstra-
tive.

From Cologne we took train
to Coblenz, spent the night there,
and at 4.30 the next morning
boarded a small steamer for
the trip up the Rhine as
far as Mainz. I can't begin
to describe to you the beauty
of it. It is perfectly charming
scenery all the way along;
terraced vineyards for
miles on the hillsides;
steep jagged rocks rising
precipitously out of the
water crowned with some
ancient castle or old castle
ruin; and every little
village nestled at the
foot of the hills close to the
shore. The famous Lorelei
Rock was very impressive &
beautiful, jutting far out
into the stream. It was a
delightful trip. There was a

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LUCERNE

crowd of about ten American
people on a boat which set off
at Bingen. At we saw them
again at Heidelberg.
? Heidelberg is the oldest
seat in Germany - at least
the oldest one which we
saw. It stretches along
the Necker River with great
wooded mountains rising
on each side. His story
with interesting reminiscences.
Conrad von Hohenstaufen made it
his residence and it remains
the capital of the Danish Protestants
for his undoubtedly.
The grand ruins of the Castle
standing upon a projection
of the Königstuhl, overlook
the town. It dates back
from the thirteenth
or fourteenth century and is

perfectly magnificent view in its way.
Heidelberg University founded in 1386 is the oldest in Germany, but is a very low unpretentious-looking wooden building. Many American students study there.

Monday morning Sept. 4th. we journeyed on to Freiburg. It is situated in a sunny valley, surrounded by vineyards, fertile fields and shut in by the tree topped heights of the "Black Forest." The town is very very curious and interesting. Because of its quaint mediaeval sketch. Nearly every turn in it impresses one with its antiquity. Relics of the old fortifications are still to be seen in two fine towers, the one with an archway and a clock.

The Münster, tho not so handsome, I think was as old as any as their choice, is 1200 (12th century) and its main spire, over four hundred feet in height, is considered one of the finest in the world.

Freiburg is quite a cultivated educational centre. Its University and its Normal University attracts many German students, including many women.

We spent only four or five hours in Freiburg but had a right interesting time looking around.

That same night, we crossed the Swiss border and reached Lucerne about 8

Evelyn and is perfectly
sound - but I shall not
attempt to write about it
tonight will leave that for
my next number.

A small accident occurred
and enabled us to run into the
Isle of Man ourselves. We
then was taken on board
the boat crossing the
channel.

I am sending Robert
a small pitcher as
a souvenir of the famous
Isle of Jersey.

I am very well and
enjoying the rest of our
visit.

Dearest love to you (?)
Margaret.

Marseilles, France

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~~PENSION FELSBERG~~
~~LUCERNE~~

Oct 14, 1911

Dear Father, The second installment has been a little long in coming, but I shall try to get it up to date. On Tuesday, Oct. 5th we crossed the Swiss border at Basle, and then the customs and rest and then carried on to Lucerne. We took lodging at a pension Bisong, the place where Ernest stayed, when he was there many years ago. It is one of the most occasions on the lake. From the windows of our rooms we could look out above the lake and across to Mt. Pilatus on the right, the Rigi on the left and several snow-capped peaks rising in front of us.

The first morning, we went walking around the town. Afterwards, my wife, Mrs. Cook and I went on information in mail and the tickets, travel ~~cheque~~ on money changed. I had just been used to receiving letters with marks and pennies, when I had to meet

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the [illegible] of the [illegible] and a crossed [illegible] two
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[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
of the [illegible] and the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
the City. They are very [illegible] + [illegible].
One of the most attractive and celebrated [illegible]
[illegible] is the famous [illegible]. It [illegible]
is that of a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
the shield of France. It lies on a [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of the City, and the [illegible]
[illegible] carved out of the solid rock. It was
modelled by Thorwaldsen and is a memorial
to the Swiss guards who fought or died
the Tuileries during the French Revolution.
It is wonderful.
We [illegible] a trip [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
but [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. So we [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] with a [illegible] three [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
a little [illegible] where the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] with its [illegible]
and [illegible] mountains, is [illegible].
In the morning of the 7th, we [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Interlaken, [illegible] the Alps. [illegible] [illegible]
its name signifies. The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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most [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
and [illegible] scenery, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] we [illegible] a
[illegible] the country.
[illegible] crowded [illegible] into
[illegible] dotted with quaint
little [illegible] cottages (chalets)
and [illegible] of [illegible] altis on
[illegible] sometimes a [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] with rapid mountains
[illegible] they [illegible]
and here & there a [illegible]
[illegible] with the [illegible]
a few minutes ride from
Meiringen [illegible] to
Brienz, at the head of the
Brienzersee — a most [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] a [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Oct 14

~~PENSION FELSBERG~~
~~LUCERNE~~

The Jungfrau & the Mönch
The Wiss Monchs
Round with snow on them
& the sides they are round.
Finally the sky was
clear & the sun rose
setting on the mountains
the magnificent scene, I
have never seen a more
glorious sight. It was magnificent.
Next morning, we journeyed
across the lake to Stansstad
& then on the Stanserhorn, and
walked at Lucerne in
the town which was not
affected much by the crowds
walking up. I went
to the museum where
Thorwaldsen and Ferdinand
Hodler's works are
most of the great

out into the street. I found another interesting old castle here with a museum containing many old relics. It happened to come show several at above horse-cars running from the streets [illegible]. [illegible] in [illegible] in the mountains [illegible] mounted in a [illegible] step, with [illegible] rear tread [illegible] many [illegible] hanged and [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible].

The same [illegible], [illegible] to [illegible] the capital [illegible] with [illegible]. It is a [illegible] [illegible] building [illegible] a wonderful view of across the river and valleys and on to the mountains. [illegible] place [illegible] as a very nice [illegible].

We heard the "Richard" [illegible] "Tannhäuser" in [illegible]. The music [illegible] very [illegible] and [illegible]. Have [illegible] and such volume. The [illegible] [illegible].

Saturday we [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] that Boo? was in [illegible]
Like most German + Swiss
cities of my conservative size,
Konstanz also has its
[illegible] cathedral,
now restaurant. We walked
up to see it, Sunday afternoon
and had a beautiful view
of the City and the Rhine
[illegible] of the mountains and it.
On Monday, [illegible] Mrs
Ernest and I took a trip
to Staufen, the little
village in the mountains
where we spent the
summer of [illegible] and
[illegible] visit is
part of the [illegible] was
not, can't say and
[illegible] crossed
the lake [illegible] Friday
made [illegible] in the
[illegible], and saw where
the Rhone flowed into

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~~PENSION FELSBERG~~
~~LUCERNE.~~

[illegible]
Tramway is a very little
thing consisting of one very narrow
street & pretty little houses
& hotels with at one end the
lights in the mountain-
side & one in the valley.
Snow capped peaks in Mid,
uses directly opposite; lovely
waters in front Bianche and
other mountain scenes.
It is a charming spot and I
don't wonder that Ernest made it
I can well understand the
house over of country. It is
entirely cut off with its various
mountains and ones
and valleys.
We played a little tennis and
a game of croquet with a big
Teagle and the men
with whom he used in
Norway. Tomorrow we
Oct. 13th. We continued our
trip to Geneva on the ~~[illegible]~~ western

and a woman. A thousand flowers at [illegible] are and [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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S.S. Rangola

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] cities. [illegible]
still [illegible] [illegible] the
amazing [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
under [illegible] surrounded
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
different [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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S.S.

[illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] in the
[illegible] call out the
[illegible] and to the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the voices
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] picking up the [illegible]
through them. The
[illegible] from the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [

[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] is
[illegible] wish. [illegible]
[illegible] these [illegible]
[illegible] my [illegible] the
[illegible] [illegible]
India - Mr. Jones (the
[illegible] children [illegible])
[illegible] Miss [illegible]
Mr. [illegible] Mrs. [illegible]
Mrs. [illegible]. [illegible] it is
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
are not [illegible] [illegible] the
work [illegible] is
very good [illegible] my [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

of C. & P.) late yesterday night
crossed Stromboli & volcano
by the coast of Italy. but
in a certain direction,
it was not erupting.
[illegible] smoking
very [illegible] but we passed
close [illegible] also [illegible]
[illegible] the night so that
we saw nothing. [illegible]
[illegible] this time, was
[illegible] arranged with
a view to [illegible].
Morning English service
was conducted by morning
[illegible] & some passengers
[illegible] Church of England.
[illegible] was [illegible] to
[illegible] all sorts of hats &
[illegible] is [illegible] to walk
[illegible] in two. [illegible]
This is most glorious
sunset last night I have
ever seen. [illegible]
[illegible] sent. We are having
[illegible] into [illegible] a fine
[illegible] sea.

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Oct. 22, 1901.

S.S. Mongolia

Dear Father — Our next stop will be Aden — and I want to have another letter ready to mail there —

We reached Port Said on time. It left Port Said 2.30 P.M. Our boat measures 500 or 200 ft. from bare and rather much nearly all the passengers [illegible] that [illegible] around [illegible] in the Times. The harbor is [illegible] with [illegible] and an [illegible] [illegible] Red Sea

across.
But this incentive is my
desire and wont to lie in
any rest or the river
with so much and my
fear this. It is a very
wretched place. The
streets are filled with
all ranks of people —
Turks, men
with faces veiled,
Arabs, children
small girls carrying
water skins on their
backs, feet bare,
some filled with water,
some filled with
[illegible] (or sent cans
over more &c.) like
[illegible] and very [illegible]

like mats & head ne
sticks are small and
especially of them
are the thick mat
then to the street.
Mats are seen commonly
in the streets.
A procession of camels
in sand carrying sand
from the sea
water including
sight - no - unusual
procession - a crowd
of men marching in
front carrying in farmers
then the coffin borne
on the shoulders of
four or six men
behind the hired
mourners women
in black, wailing &
shrieking.

in one followed by me
a Tourist, who, being
a Jew, most naturally took
Cabaret and we had
amusing when St. Some
who spoke a little English
were very clever trying to
run us down. Dressing
the men as Mr. Mackenzie
Mr Kipling or Mr David
Bomberg and the women
as Miss Kendall or Mrs.
Tree. It was quite curious
how they got the names.
Some even indulged in some
effective American slang
such as "Skidoo" 23 and
we left with a rush when
one of the men took the wrong
window Petty Officer on the
train from Bergstein on
a raft.

S.S. Mongolia

Before leaving next day at
11.30 A.M. we were entertained
[illegible] by native singing &
dancing in row boats. The
[illegible] were [illegible]
more [illegible] than
[illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

carrying their heavy burdens.
As night approached, the
boat moved very slowly
and gently crept thru the
canal.
Moonlight on the desert
is beautiful. The stars
and moon seem to shine
so much more clearly
& brightly there than
over cultivated land.
We think we saw a
mirage, in the
afternoon - but couldn't
be sure of it.
My idea of the wilderness
thru which Moses
lead the children of
Israel, has become
much more clearly defined,
since seeing this desolate
land stretching along
the canal.

When we awoke next morning we were out in the Red Sea. The width of the sea varies from 6 to 80 miles, and we could see shore for considerable time. In places, it is flat & sandy; and again rises in reddish peaks of rock.

A "Gym Khana" ("tournament of sports") has been causing much diversion & fun this week. It was begun on Monday & will not be closed until this afternoon (Sat.) We have had all kinds of contests - Tunita, Bull-board, Deck Billiards, Chess,

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Checkers, Thread + Needle, Cock-fighting, Chalking the Pig's Eye, Potato Race, Bowling the Hoop, Blind Driving, Whistling Race, Bolster Bag, Egg + Spoon Race, Drawing Contest, General Knowledge + Limericks. There were so many entries in everything that it has taken a fortnight to get them all run off. Ernest has won "the gon tare" + Thread + Needle; and stands a good chance

of being the champion in checkers. He hasn't played the final game yet. Prizes will be awarded this afternoon.

We have had a couple of very warm days and nights. Fortunately, there has been a slight breeze most of the time.

Tomorrow (Sunday) we reach Aden, where all the passengers to India transship to the Salsette. This boat goes on to Australia (the Moghul)

During the hot spell, a great many of the passengers have been sleeping out on deck.

With lots of love to all.

Margaret.